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A Note From Pastor Andrew

It's been a few weeks since we've turned in our cards that asked how we would "walk with Jesus" and give, as we feel called. I believe a few more have come since then. A total of nineteen cards came in, nineteen out of a possible fifty. This may not sound like a lot, but that is a return of 38%. "They" say we should consider a stewardship drive a success if you get back 35-40% of cards. So, we fall right into that percentage. We're a "success," however; I wonder how you feel about that return? More importantly, I wonder where CTK is at on your radar. I know I see it day in and day out, so it stares me in the face, but I wonder if you realize just where we're at as a church financially. In order to make ends meet these last few months our staff have taken pay cuts and we've cut our giving to the Synod. In the next few months we will have to decide what we can participate in community wide while still honoring our already slim budget. Things such as Lapeer Days or being a called presence helping in the community. I wonder how soon we will have to choose between rent and paying staff at all. In short, I'm scared for our congregation. The total giving from those nineteen cards came to roughly \$57,000; our budget for the year is approximately \$179,000. That means we have to come up with a "faith giving" of nearly \$122,000 in order to meet our budget. Again, I'm afraid for our congregation, I don't know what our future holds, but when I think about it, I also have faith. Faith in God and faith in each other to come together and figure this out as one. Please keep CTK on your radar and share your thoughts as we move forward day by day. Together we will come out of the fog renewed.

Humbled to serve,

Pastor Andrew

Announcements

Altar Flowers

Thank you for signing up to sponsor the Altar flowers each week. There are still a few Sundays available. The cost for flowers is \$20 each week. Please remember to pay for your flowers. If you aren't sure if you paid please see Sue Halamka.

Wojo Garden Center Shopping Days

It's time to start thinking about gardening and flowers. Once again we will be doing the Wojo's fundraiser. You shop at any Wojo's on two specific days and Wojo's will donate 10% of all purchases for those two days. All you have to do is tell them you are shopping for "Christ the King Lapeer" when you check out. It is so easy!!!

Our shopping days are Thursday, May 21 and Saturday, June 6.

Wojo's has 3 locations-Davison, Ortonville and Lake Orion. Any questions please see Sue Halamka.

Friendship Sunday

When? Every first Sunday of each month! What? Invite friends, family, co-workers to a free breakfast and an amazing service! Just tell them, "Yummy food, no dishes, no preparation.....then sit down for a relaxing and invigorating service!"

Absolutely Everyone welcome, no matter where, when or how you are in life!

Baby Bottle Campaign

Mother's Day - Father's Day we will collect money in baby bottles for the Pregnancy Resource Center of Lapeer. Pick up a baby bottle, fill it up, turn it back in by June 14.

Mini Golf and Go Karting

Sunday, June 7th we will meet at Lake Nepessing Golfland at noon for a fun afternoon of Mini-golf and Go Karting. Please sign up on the bulletin board. . \$12 per person includes 2 go-kart rides and 1 round of mini-golf. We must have 10 people sign up to receive this deal. Sign up on the Fellowship bulletin board.

Father's Day Breakfast

Join us on Sunday, June 21 at 8:00 am for a breakfast to honor all father's and father figures. Please sign up to help with food for this special day.

Pig Roast and BBQ

On Sunday, July 12th at 12:00 noon we will have a pig roast and BBQ at Crampton Park (corner of M-24 and M-21). Invite family and friends to this fun event at CTK. Pork, drinks and tableware will be provided. We will have some yard games here to play. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Also, please bring lawn chairs. Watch for a sign up sheet.

Thrivent

The Lapeer County Board of Directors has decided to organize a team for Relay for Life. We are asking all Lutheran Congregations in the area to participate. It is June 13 and 14 at the Eastern Michigan Fair Grounds in Imlay City. This money goes to the American Cancer Society. If you would like to honor someone who has passed from cancer or to celebrate a cancer survivor, please consider donating to the cause as a memorial to them. You are also encouraged to participate in the walk, even if you can only give us an hour or two. Please sign up on the bulletin board to participate.

All requests for funding for any project must be in submitted, approved and completed prior to June 1st. If you have a project or activity after that time please consider applying for Action Team funding.

Any questions please contact Marsha Schultz at 586-481-9596

Church Council

The next Church Council meeting is Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. (one week early in June). We meet the third Sunday of every month. Anyone is welcome to attend. We have one position open on the council. Please see Pastor Andrew or Steve Halamka if you would like more information.

Needed: Prayer Warriors

We are looking for more prayer warriors. What do you have to do, you ask?

I send you an email asking you to pray for Judy Weaver or whoever it is. In the quietness of your home or wherever you are, you say a prayer. If you need more info or have a question you can call me, text, or email. I will get back with you. Easy enough.....you have now become a warrior. Our Church needs more people to be prayer warriors. Would you consider this task as part of your way of giving back to God.

No Special talent needed. Only SPECIAL People willing to spend time with God, for a minute or an hour, however long you choose. If you are already a warrior I Thank You for your gift to God. In Christian Love and Prayers, Judy Weaver

CTK Teams

All our Team meetings are open to everyone. Please stop in and see what we are doing.

Marketing and Publicity Team

Next meeting is June 4 at 7:15 p.m. We meet the first Thursday of every month.

Fellowship Team

Next meeting is on June 14 at 8:30 a.m. We meet the second Sunday of every month

Outreach Team

Next meeting is May 21 at 7:15 p.m. We meet the second Thursday of every month, the third Sunday for May.

Worship Team

The next Worship team meeting is on May 28, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. We meet the fourth Thursday of every month.

CTK Small Groups

Bible Study

Nora Murray will be opening her home for a Women's Bible Study at 1:00 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is Wednesday, June 17. If you are interested please call Nora at 810-356-5049.

Sowing Threads of Fellowship

Sowing Threads of Fellowship meets the first Tuesday of each month in people's homes. The next meeting time is Tuesday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Nora Murray.

Women's Group

Women's group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at CTK. We share a meal together, share stories and laughter. Come and join us!

The next meeting is June 9 at 6:00 pm, please bring your favorite picnic dish to share!

Schedule of Events

Thursday, May 21

5:45 pm Free Meal

6:30 pm Worship

7:15 pm Outreach Team meeting

Sunday, May 24

8:15 am Fellowship Time

9:00 am Worship

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Fellowship

Thursday, May 28

5:00 pm Worship Team meeting
5:45 pm Free Meal
6:30 pm Worship

Sunday, May 31

8:15 am Fellowship Time
9:00 am Worship
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship and Bible Study

Tuesday, June 2

7:00 pm Sewing Threads of Fellowship*

Thursday, June 4

5:45 pm Free Meal
6:30 pm Worship
7:15 pm Marketing and Publicity Team meeting

Sunday, June 7

8:00 am Pancake breakfast
9:00 am Worship
10:00 am Fellowship
12:00 noon Go Kart and Mini Golf*